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Advertisement.

BEING ſtrictly enjoined by my late Inſtructions to enforce the punctual Payment of his Majeſty's Quitrents, it is expected, for the future, that every Sheriff ſhould ſettle with the Auditor, and pay the Money into the Receiver's Office, on or before the Day appointed by Law; and all Sheriffs who are yet in Arrear to this Revenue cannot expect any farther Indulgence. RICHARD CORBIN, D. R. G.

WARSAW, *April* 19.

WE are very anxious here to know whether the Circumſtances mentioned in a Letter from Petricau, dated the 14th Inſtant, have any Foundation. This Letter informs us, "that Marſhal Zaremba had been three Days with the Pruſſian General, at his Head Quarters at Kaliſch, with whom he had ſeveral Conferences." In the mean Time the Pruſſians ſeize all the Confederates that fall in their Way, and extend themſelves farther and farther into the Palatinates of Kaliſch, Poſnania, Inowraclaw, and Cujavia. The general Opinion is, that the Pruſſians have Views on Poliſh Pruſſia, and we are not without Fears of that Sort here; and what helps to confirm our Fears is a Letter handed about, dated Koningſberg, March 21ſt, mentioning the following Particulars relating to the intended Claims, namely, that it is propoſed that Poliſh Pruſſia ſhould be regarded hereafter as Part of the Kingdom of Pruſſia, in the ſame Manner as in the Times of the Teutonick Nights; that the Biſhoprick of Warmia ſhall be ſecularized, and the Biſhop and Chapter receive Penſions; that Dantzick and Thorn ſhall be declared free Cities; that Religion ſhall be regulated in the ſame Manner as in Pruſſian Sileſia; and that thirty Thouſand Pruſſian Troops ſhall be always cantoned in the ſaid Province.

We have received Advice that a Body of Confederates has found Means to pierce the Pruſſian Cordon of Troops near Kaliſch, and had fallen in with a Convoy of three Hundred Carriages, laden with Grain, which the Pruſſians had collected in Poland; and that, after breaking the Carriages to Pieces, and deſtroying the Corn, they made their Eſcape.

PETERSBURG, *April* 14. Accounts were received on Saturday laſt, from Marſhal Romanzow, that the Porte had agreed to a Ceſſation of Arms and Congreſs, and had named Iſmael Beg (the Reis Effendi) and Oſman Beg (who was formerly his Reis Effendi) to be their Ambaſſadours Plenipotentiary. Her Imperial Majeſty has appointed Count Gregory Orloff, and M. Obreſcow, to be her Ambaſſadours Plenipotentiary.

Her Imperial Majeſty was graciouſly pleaſed, on Sunday laſt, to make a Preſent of ſixty Thouſand Roubles to M. Obreſcow, and of thirty Thouſand to M. Levaſhoff, as a Mark of her Favour, and in Conſideration of the Services and Sufferings of thoſe Miniſters.

FLORENCE, *April* 25. His Royal Highneſs the Duke of Glouceſter arrived yeſterday in perfect Health, and was received by the Great Duke and Dutcheſs with every Mark of Politeneſs and Attention.

BERLIN, *May* 2. This Morning his Pruſſian Majeſty reviewed two Regiments of Infantry, and all the Cavalry of the Garriſon, except the Huſſars. It is expected that the general Review will take Place before the 22d Inſtant.

ROME, *April* 8. The Duke of Glouceſter continues to enjoy a good State of Health. His Royal Highneſs went laſt Monday to Albano, Riccia, Genzono, Caſtel Gondolfo, and Marino, and returned in the Evening, after having viſited the antique Monuments that are preſerved there, and which bring to Remembrance the Splendour of ancient Rome.

April 18. The Reaſon for the Departure of Prince Stuart was to meet his Spouſe at Macerata, where he was to receive the nuptial Benediction from the Biſhop. On this Marriage taking Place, the Courts of France and Spain are ſaid to have ſettled a grand Apannage on him; and it is added, that the Princeſs brings with her a Portion of five Hundred Thouſand Crowns.

NAPLES, *April* 7. The following melancholy Accident happened here lately. A Drummer of the Regiment of Farneſe having bought ſome Muſhrooms, dined on them with the reſt of his Family; and in twenty four Hours the Father, Mother, three Children, a Couſin, and a Soldier who dined there by Chance, were all killed by them.

HAGUE, *April* 17. Letters from Peterſburg, of the 24th of March, mention that the Inhabitants of Moſcow have received Orders to quit that City, and that the Court intends ſhutting it up to prevent the ſpreading of the Plague, which is expected to break out with the Return of the Spring, when the moſt rigorous Precautions will be taken to ſtop it.

LONDON, *May* 2.

THEY write from Naples that there has not been ſo bad a Show of Grain in the Fields, all over the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, as at preſent; the Corn having been in many Places entirely deſtroyed by a black Bug, which has made its Appearance ever ſince ſowing Time.

The Forts and Fortifications on the Coaſt of Great Britain will be reviewed by proper Officers, who are to order ſuch Reports as may be neceſſary.

Lord Mansfield ſtill ſcrupulouſly adheres to his Regulation of ordering the Counſel to Bar preciſely at twelve o'Clock, by which Means the judicial Buſineſs of the Houſe of Lords is amazingly expedited. Should the above Regulation be adopted in future, it will be of the moſt ſignal Service to all Parties who may have Appeals depending before the Houſe of Lords.

The Houſe of Commons have reſolved, and made it a ſtanding Order, "that no Bill relating to Religion, or the Alteration of the Laws concerning Religion, be brought into this Houſe until the Propoſition ſhall have been firſt conſidered upon by a Committee of the whole Houſe, and agreed unto by the Houſe."

Extract of a Letter from Berlin, *April* 14.

"The Engliſh Chargé des Affaires, Mr. Burnet, returned yeſterday from Potſdam, where he has been to take Leave of his Majeſty, and is to return to London in a few Days. On the 10th of June the French Refugees will hold their Jubilee, as it will be juſt a Hundred Years ſince they had Permiſſion to ſettle in the Pruſſian Dominions and exerciſe their Religion. The King has declared, that as long as he lives he will grant them his Protection. A Medal is ſtruck upon this Occaſion, with the Inſcription "*Azylle donné, à la foi par la Charité.*"

A Foreigner, of great chymical Knowledge, has within theſe few Days applied to the Society of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, for a Reward for making *potable Gold*; a Diſcovery which, it is apprehended, will turn out greatly to the Benefit of Mankind.

May 4. Friday laſt Lord North in the Houſe of Commons opened the Budget, and it is now known that the Treaſury are to pay off one Million five Hundred Thouſand Pounds at two Inſtalments, namely, ſeven Hundred and fifty Thouſand Pounds on Midſummer Day, and the like Sum on Michaelmas Day, all in the three per Cents. No Perſon is allowed to ſubſcribe a greater Sum than ten Thouſand Pounds, and every ſubſcribing Creditor is to be paid eighty ſix Pounds for every Hundred Pound three per Cents, and to be indulged with a Douceur of four Lottery Tickets. His Lordſhip declared, that, ſo far as he could obtain any Lights into the preſent Syſtem of the different Courts in Europe, all was Peace, and Nothing ſeemed to hinder this ſo general a Peace from continuing *ten Years*; which, if it did, and he ſhould continue at the Head of the Treaſury, he proved, from uncontrovertible Computations, that he ſhould, within that Period, pay off *ſeventeen Millions ſix Hundred Thouſand Pounds* of the national Debt; and farther, that, when this Sum ſhould be thus paid off, the clear neat Revenue of this Kingdom would amount to *ſix Millions annually*, which would be a Sum equal to the Undertaking of any War, whether naval or military, or both, with all the combined Powers of Europe. His Lordſhip obſerved, that the King of France was equally ſolicitous for a Peace; and that although many Britiſh Officers, both in the Navy and Army, might very naturally wiſh for War in Order to ſignalize their ſuperiour Courage and Abilities, yet it was the ſpecial Duty and Province of a firſt Lord of the Treaſury to conſider the Event, either of Peace or War, not in a partial but in a general Light; adding, that he had conſidered it in the latter Point of View, and though he was as highly ſenſible of the Abilities of his Majeſty's naval and military Forces as any Perſon in the Kingdom, yet, upon a comprehenſive and general View of Things, he was clearly convinced that it was the Advantage of this Kingdom not to go into War unleſs abſolutely compelled ſo to do, which had not yet been the Caſe, ſince, whenever his Majeſty thought the Honour of his Crown any Ways inſulted, the Inſulters had always made ample Acknowledgment and Condeſcenſion.

Saturday Night, as their Majeſties were coming out of the Opera Houſe in the Haymarket, her Majeſty loſt one of her Diamonds.

The Report of his Majeſty's intending to make the Tour of England is entirely void of Foundation.

Advice is received that the Jacob's Well, Theremin, after an obſtinate Fight of four Hours, was taken by a ſmall Spaniſh Guarda Coſta in Glover's Reef, near the Bay of Honduras, the 6th of March laſt, and carried into Campeachy, where the Crew are impriſoned; the Captain died by ill Uſage.

The Honourable Eaſt India Company have reſolved to ſend a large Quantity of Ammunition, and a Reinforcement of eight Thouſand Men, for the Defence of their Settlements in India.

At the Maſquerade laſt Thurſday Night, at the Pantheon, the moſt remarkable Figures were: The Dutcheſs of Richmond, in the Character of Zobeide, was a ſtriking Maſque; Beauty, Elegance, and Grace, were happily blended in her Grace's Figure without Affectation. Lady Margaret For——e, in the Dreſs of Queen Elizabeth, appeared infinitely more charming than any Idea we can form of the fair Queen Beſs. Many Ladies of Rank and Beauty choſe to adopt the male Dreſs in Domino, and appeared as maſculine as many of the delicate Maccaroni Things we ſee ſwarming every Where, to the Diſgrace of our noble ancient Britiſh Race. The moſt diſtinguiſhed of theſe Belles, clad *en homme*, were the Dutcheſs of Ancaſter, Lady Me—n, Lady B—n Bro—n, the Honourable Mrs. John D—er, Mrs. Hod—s, and Mrs. B—ke.——Miſs Dix—e, in the Turkiſh Stile of Dreſs, was perfectly angelick; Grace, Elegance, Size, and Beauty, were united in the Perſon of this belle Maſque.—The Hor—k Family made a charming Groupe; dreſſed alike, in a Fancy dancing female Dreſs, the two beautiful Siſters, and their ſmart young Brother, they might (notwithſtanding his Sex) have paſſed for the three Graces. The Honourable Mrs. Bou—e, in the Character of a Spaniſh Nun, might have tempted a Saint to Sin.—The Bella Donna, the Marquiſe Le—i, was aſſociate with the charming Religieuſe. A Maſque in the Dreſs of a Penitent, and a Nun her Friend, watched the fair Italian. It is ſuppoſed, but not certain, that the unfortunate Penitent was the Counteſs P—y. A Lord Chalkſtone was very lively, well dreſſed, and happy in the Performance of his Character; though unmaſqued, he remains unknown.—A Jew Pedlar talking German and broken Engliſh, very clever and droll, Sir Francis Cl—ke.—An old Maſque, dreſſed partly like a Man, with a Woman's Head Dreſs, and a huge clerical Hat, calling herſelf *La Fille d'Archeveque*, was very lively and ſmart; though happy in finding out other People in their Diſguiſe, this Daughter of the Church was not diſcovered; ſhe ſpoke moſtly good French, and affected to ſpeak bad Engliſh, with good Succeſs. Mr. Ban—es was a very ſingular and odd Maſque, in the Dreſs of a Georgian, called a Hoity-toity.—There was a great many Newmarket Jockies, well dreſſed, and tight knowing Figures; but their whole Wit lay in their Boots.—A Veſtal Virgin perſonated by Lady Groſvenor.—A Scotch Gentleman, at leaſt ſix Feet three or four Inches high, appeared in the Dreſs of the Grand Turk.—The Honourable Mrs. Ham—en, in the Dreſs of a Venetian Paeſana, was Grace and Beauty itſelf.—The Honourable Bob Con—y appeared in the real Character of an Engliſh Giant.—The celebrated and beautiful Miſs Bet. C—x aſſumed a male Character; Lady Gid-on, a Spinning Girl; Mrs. B—nb—ry, a Dancer.——Duke of Grafton, in a Domino; and Sir J. Reynolds, in a Domino. Mr. Craddock, and Doctor Goldſmith, in two Old Engliſh Dreſſes:—Mr. Nelthorpe, in Turkiſh Robes.—Honourable Mr. Montague, in Shylock.—Lady Archer, Flora. So happy were ſome of the Company, and unwilling to depart, that they breakfaſted on the Remains of Supper, and drank large Libations to the Goddeſſes that had honoured the Pantheon with their bright Appearance. On the Whole, this late Spectacle is allowed, by People of Taſte and Bon Ton, to be unrivalled by all former Exhibitions of this Nature, foreign Countries not excepted.

May 5. Notwithſtanding the Precaution the Miniſtry are ſaid to have taken, ſo as not to appear in the Characters of Brokers or Bribers in the Diſtribution of the one Million five Hundred Thouſand Pounds, which was ſubſcribed in at the Bank yeſterday, it is inconteſtibly evident that every Farthing of this Loan was ſubſcribed for by particular Perſons, long before the Books were opened. Never was there known, in the Memory of the oldeſt Alley Broker, ſo great a Concourſe of People as were aſſembled yeſterday, even three Hours before eleven o'Clock in the Morning, which was the preciſe Hour appointed for opening the Books at the Bank; yet no Perſon whatever could be permitted to ſubſcribe, certain Friends only excepted. Before the Hour of twelve upwards of ten Millions might have been ſubſcribed, had ſuch a Sum been wanted, ſo eager were they to intruſt their Money in the Hands of Government.

By a Letter received at Amſterdam, dated April 21ſt, it is authenticated that a Spaniſh Frigat which arrived the Week before at Ferrol, from Buenos Ayres, brought Advice that the Portugueſe Subjects who ſettled at Rio de Janeiro, finding no Redreſs to their Grievances, and that Nothing but one Oppreſſion was to ſucceed another, bravely took the Reſolution to do that Juſtice to themſelves which they could not obtain either of the King of Portugal or of his Viceroy; and that when this Frigat left the Continent of the Brazils the Subjects at Rio de Janeiro had Recourſe to Arms, and that this dangerous Inſurrection, it was thought, would not eaſily be quelled, at leaſt not without firſt ſacrificing the Viceroy, as a Victim to the enraged and exaſperated Inſurgents.

Extract of a Letter from a Daniſh Merchant to his Correſpondent in London, April 27.

"I do not blame you for defending the Queen Matilda; you are an Engliſhman: But if you are in earneſt, and really believe ſhe is innocent, then I muſt tell you, that, had you yourſelf but known a tenth Part of the heinous Circumſtances laid to her Charge, you would have condemned her yourſelf, though you were the beſt Friend to the Houſe of Hanover; for the Truth is, her Conduct has been ſo glaringly culpable that even the common People could not avoid paſſing the ſame cenſorious Reflections upon her here as the common People did upon her late Mother in London. You can form no Idea of the Execration in which the whole Britiſh Nation is held here, entirely upon her Account; ſeeing the common People conclude that all the Engliſh, whom they meaſure by this Queen's imprudent Conduct, are equally bad and vicious. This young Woman, who is called here the Meſſalina of Denmark, if perchance ſhe had not ſeen Struenſee for twenty four Hours, would be ſending for him all over the Town of Copenhagen, Meſſenger after Meſſenger, and ſometimes twenty of them in a Day. So great was her Jealouſy that ſhe forbid many Ladies of Diſtinction the Court, upon the moſt groundleſs Suſpicions of their being great with Struenſee. As an Inſtance of her Weakneſs, as well as Want of common Prudence, I muſt tell you that laſt Chriſtmas Day ſhe made Struenſee a Preſent of a Piece of new faſhioned Engliſh Silk to make him a Bed Gown; but Steuenſee, who it ſeems had a greater Paſſion for a favourite Italian Actreſs than for the young Queen, made a preſent of this Engliſh manufactured Silk to the Actreſs. She, proud and vain of her Conqueſt, had it immediately made up, and appeared in all the publick Walks. The Queen happening one Day to ſee her walking in the Streets in this new acquired Dreſs, ſtung with Rage and Jealouſy at her fair Rival's ſuperiour Charms, inſtantly deſpatched ſome of her Domeſticks with Orders to tear the Gown from off her Back. The royal Orders were immediately carried into Execution, and the lovely Actreſs was accordingly ſtripped ſtark naked in the publick Streets, in the Preſence of a Thouſand Spectators. I leave you, Sir, to make your own Comments on this true Story, and am perſuaded you cannot but think the whole Daniſh Nation are happy in getting rid of her."

Letters from Gibraltar, dated March 20th, give an Account of the moſt dreadful Weather for ſome Weeks together. Many Veſſels are loſt between Cadiz and the Straits Mouth. In a violent Storm, two Daniſh Ships of War of the Line were drove from their Anchors in Gibraltar Bay, one of them on Shore, and would have been entirely loſt, but by the Aſſiſtance given them by the Trident Engliſh Man of War ſhe was happily got off, and is now in the Mole under Repair. The ſame Letter adds, that a Dutch Man of War was thought to be loſt on Malaga, and that many Veſſels then at Gibraltar had been detained there above three Months by contrary Winds.

They write from Paris that four Camps are juſt formed, in Order to preſerve Peace and good Order; one at Alſace, one at Mentz, one in Franche Comte, and the laſt in French Flanders.

By a Letter from Selby, in Yorkſhire, we hear that a looſe Woman was lately delivered in that Village of four Children, two of whom had neither Arms nor Feet.

Sunday Night four Villains robbed a Man and his Wife in Stepney Fields. They afterwards raviſhed the Woman; and on her Huſband's endeavouring to hinder them, they beat him in ſo terrible a Manner that it is thought he cannot recover.

May 6. Letters from Hamburg, dated April 26th, remark that ſeveral Merchants there had received different Commiſſions from the Britiſh Court to furniſh the Pariſh at Zell immediately with the richeſt and moſt magnificent Furniture of all Sorts for the Reception of the young Queen Matilda; and the ſame Correſpondent adds, that it is known of a Certainty at Hamburg that his Pruſſian Majeſty has negotiated a Treaty of Marriage between his Niece Philipina Auguſtina Amelia and his preſent Daniſh Majeſty. This Princeſs is in her twenty ſeventh Year, and is Daughter to Frederick William, Margrave of Brandenburg Schwedt. The other Siſter of this Princeſs is married to Prince Ferdinand of Pruſſia.

Zell, the Palace talked of for the Reſidence of the Queen of Denmark, is the Capital of a Dutchy of that Name, ſituated on the River Aller, in Germany, where the Fuhſe falls into it, thirty five Miles ſouth from Lunenburg, twenty eight Miles north from Hanover, and twenty five Miles north eaſt from Brunſwick. The Palace is a ſquare Building, adorned with pleaſant Gardens, Orchards, and Grottoes, is moated round, and was built in 1485.

The preſent Luxury of the Times may be eaſily eſtimated from the Maſquerade of laſt Thurſday Evening. Two Thouſand Perſons, at two Guineas each, make four Thouſand Guineas; and if we rate the Prices of all the various Dreſſes at three Guineas each (the Money demanded in Taviſtock Street for the Uſe only of a Domino) we ſhall immediately ſee that ten Thouſand Guineas, beſides the Expenſe of Chair and Coach Hire, were laviſhed on the Entertainment of a ſingle Night, while our Poor are abſolutely periſhing for Bread in various Parts of the Kingdom.

We are informed that yeſterday Morning his Excellency the Ruſſian Ambaſſadour notified, in Form, to our Court, that a Suſpenſion of Arms has actually taken Place between the Turks and Ruſſians, and that a Congreſs is already begun.

A Gentleman who arrived on Sunday Night laſt from Paris brings Advice that the French King has been attacked with a ſudden Illneſs, from which it is thought he cannot recover.

May 7. A well known Baronet applied on Saturday for Leave to ſubſcribe for five Hundred Lottery Tickets, to whom the Premier returned the following Anſwer: "If you are a publick Creditor in the Loan intended to be paid off, you have a Right to ſubſcribe without any Conſent; if you are not, the Conſent of the Treaſury can do you no Service on this Occaſion."

A Letter from Gottingen, March 24th, ſays: "A Beggar who had a very voracious Appetite, and accuſtomed himſelf to ſwallow, after his Victuals, Flints, Felts, and other Things, died not long ſince ſuddenly at Ihlefeld. The Judge of the Place being deſirous to know the Effect of this very ſingular Caſe, ordered the Body to be opened in the Preſence of ſeveral of the Faculty. The Stomach was very ſpacious, and capable of containing ten Pounds of Water; and they found Pieces of Meat undigeſted, and ſeveral Flint Stones and other Things in his Inſide. This Man uſed to eat thirteen Pounds of Beef, and drink twelve Meaſures of Wine, without being diſordered."

May 8. Yeſterday Part of the Baggage of his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Glouceſter arrived at Glouceſter Houſe; his Highneſs is expected in England on the 27th of this Month.

The ſame Morning early a Meſſenger arrived at St. James's, with ſome Deſpatches from the Earl of Harcout at Paris; he waited about an Hour, and then ſet out on his Return.

Extract of a Letter from Kingſton, *in* Jamaica, *February* 1.

"We hear that on the Arrival of the Marquis de Torres at the Havannah an Expreſs was ſent to Cuba to put themſelves in a Poſture of Defence, and Orders for the Guarda Coſtas to repair as ſoon as poſſible to the Havannah."

Yeſterday Morning a Meſſenger was ſent off Expreſs to the Lords of the Regency of the Electorate of Hanover, and another to the King of Pruſſia.

The write from Holland that the Dutch Eaſt India Company have preſented to the States General an ample Memorial, in which they complain of the Encroachments and unfair Practices of the Engliſh in that Part of the Globe.

Letters from Spain ſay that the black Vomit was broke out at Cadiz, which carried off great Numbers of People.

They write from Bruſſels that the Alarm of the Plague had begun again, and that the Troops which formed the Line in thoſe Countries laſt Summer, and had been recalled to join their ſeveral Regiments, were ordered to the ſame Station again, in Order to prevent bad Conſequences.

A Letter from Newfoundland ſays that a French Veſſel has lately been ſeized there, and carried into St. John's, for carrying on an illicit Trade in the Fiſheries there.

The Brazil Fleet, conſiſting of ſixteen Ships, under Convoy of two Men of War, arrived at Liſbon the 14th of laſt Month, with rich Cargoes of two Hundred and fifty Octaves of Diamonds, and upwards of five Millions of Gold in Cruſades.

Extract of a Letter from Amſterdam, *April* 30.

"The Eaſt India Company has received Advice by the Hoolwerf, arrived at Goree the 24th Inſtant (which is the firſt Ship of the Fleet expected this Year from the Indies) that at her Departure from the Cape of Good Hope many more of our Ships were arrived; beſides which there were eight French Ships at Anchor, from the Indies, for Europe. And Letters received by the above Ship adviſe that the French are equipping in the Indies a conſiderable Number of Ships for the Iſland Mauritius, and that they had actually between four and five Thouſand regular Troops there."

Extract from a Letter received out of Cornwall.

"If ever the Soul of Man is excited to lend an Ear to the Miſerable, they muſt at this Juncture; for, believe me, there are many Score of poor People in this Country that have neither Meat nor Clothes. Induſtry, now a Days, cannot be ſaid to ſupport Mankind; for, by ſome unknown Means, the Price of every Thing is ſo raiſed that a decent Living is ſcarce to be ſcraped. How many poor Individuals do we daily ſee emaciated with Hunger! O! dreadful Spectacle! This muſt lie deep at the Heart of every thinking Man, but I muſt conclude this dreadful Narrative with my beſt Wiſhes for an immediate Redreſs."

They adviſe from Liſbon that forty Jeſuits, ſaid to be concerned in the Attempt on his Faithful Majeſty's Life, were executed there the 23d of March laſt.

The Maſquerade Ball laſt Night at Mrs. Cornely's was, we are aſſured, by much the moſt elegant ever yet given at her Houſe, the Company numerous, and the Dreſſes magnificent.

It is ſaid that a Set of Gentlemen intend to try hard for reviving the Jubilee at Ranelagh this Summer; having found, by Experience, that Maſquerades are the Life and Soul of Exiſtence.

It is a melancholy Circumſtance, obſerves a Correſpondent, that whilſt one Part of the Publick are revelling the other ſhould be on the Point of periſhing; yet ſuch are the Diſtreſſes of the Poor, from the ſtill extravagant Price of Proviſions, that the Dinner of many Families is only their Tears, and the Supper their unavailing Lamentations.

By Letters from Paris we are informed that the greateſt Part of our Nobility is expected there during the approaching Receſs of Parliament, being marked down for Men of too much Taſte and Spirit to be capable of ſpending their Money in England, when they have it in their Power to follow their own Inclinations.

It is now ſaid that no Change whatever will take Place in the Miniſtry until the re-aſſembling of Parliament.

Our good Neighbours the Dutch are, it is ſuppoſed, planning ſome Schemes of Advantage to their Safety, by the Secrecy of their preſent Aſſemblings, and the ſcheming Importance of their Deliberations.

We hear that a certain Ambaſſadour has confeſſed himſelf ſo little ſatisfied with the Conduct of our Miniſters that he impatiently waits his Recall to his own Court.

The Square intended to be built in the City, by the Proprietors of the Adelphi, will, it is ſaid, be the moſt magnificent Place in this Kingdom.

May 9. The following is a remarkable Inſtance of the pedantick Uſe of certain favourite Words in Vogue amongſt the polite and faſhionable World, by an honourable Maccaroni, in his Addreſs to a young Lady: Sweet Lady, *ſaid Mac*, I have waited with great *Avidity* when your Perſon would be *aſſeſſible*, that I might *announce* my Paſſion for you.

All the Maccaroni Bon Ton at Ranelagh now is, a Noſegay as round and as large as the End of a Mop.

It is ſcarcely credible, but it is true, that a certain Maccaroni Lord at this Time pays, by Agreement, to a Gardener, five Guineas a Day for Noſegays for his Lady, himſelf, and his Footmen.

A few Days ago one of thoſe contemptible Creatures (who are a Diſgrace to our Species) called a Maccaroni, went to a Hatter's at the weſt End of the Town and beſpoke a Hat, and was very particular as to the Cut and Cock of it. One Side of the Brim he would have no wider than a Shilling, behind a conſiderable Breadth, ſo as to be much higher than the Crown. "I ſuppoſe, Sir (ſaid the Hatter) you would have it in the *Top of the Mode*." "O (ſaid he) I would have it in the *Mode prepoſterous!*"

The Author of Love in a Village, and Love in the City, has juſt finiſhed a Piece called Love at Whitehall; but we hear it is intended only for private Exhibition.

Extract of a Letter from Copenhagen, *dated April* 28.

"Saturday laſt, early in the Forenoon, the Committee of Inquiry pronounced Sentence againſt John Frederick Struenſee and Enevold Brandt, which was accordingly preſented to the Privy Council, without his Majeſty's Attendance. In the Afternoon the Privy Council met again; in the Evening, towards ſeven o'Clock, the King arrived from Charlottenburg, and preſided at the Council Board, when, after confirming the Sentence, he went directly to the Italian Opera.

"Same Day, at twelve at Noon, both the Priſoners were acquainted, by their Counſellors, with their Sentences. Struenſee received and read it with extraordinary Compoſure, which naturally aſtoniſhed all thoſe preſent, to whom he obſerved, they ought, as he did, to impute it to his conſtant "Apprehenſions and his long Preparation for his unhappy Fate." His Uneaſineſs appeared much greater when he found Brandt's Sentence equal to his own. Brandt alſo ſeemed tolerably reſigned on hearing his Sentence; but the following Morning his Spirits totally ſunk, when being no Barber ſent him, as uſual, to be ſhaved. Meſſ. Munter and Him have been, ſince Saturday, ſeldom abſent from Struenſee and Brandt. Both Priſoners delivered into their Counſellors Hands, on their leaving them on Saturday laſt, two Letters, one for the King, and one for the Committee of Inquiry. Yeſterday they both took the Holy Sacrament.

"Struenſee's Sentence takes up five full Sheets of Paper. Among the Charges therein contained againſt him are, his having aſſumed too great a Power to himſelf; his injuring the King's Treaſure for more than fifteen Tons of Gold; his forging (or ſatisfying) a Draught; his diſcharging the Guards; the ſuſpicious Arrangements he had been ordering within the Walls of this Place, &c.

"Brandt's Sentence expreſsly ſays, that on Account of his Deſigns, againſt immediately againſt the ſacred Perſon of his Majeſty, the Excuſes he made could not be admitted, and therefore declared guilty and condemned. Towards the Concluſion of their Sentence is added, in Virtue of the Danish Law Book, Book 6th, Chapter 4th, Article 1ſt, both Count John Frederick Struenſee, and Count Enevold Brandt, having made themſelves guilty, and as an Example to others, ſtand juſtly condemned to loſe their Honours, Lives, and Property, and are entirely degraded from the Dignities belonging to their Titles of Earls; their Earls Coats of Arms is to be broken by the Hands of the common Hangman; this done, their right Hand will be cut off, next their Heads, then will their Bodies be quartered and laid upon the Wheel, and their Heads and Hands fixed upon Iron Spikes.

"The aforeſaid dead Warrants were this Morning executed in a Field without the eaſtern Gate; a Scaffold was erected of nine Yards in Height and eight Yards ſquare, whither both the Priſoners were carried in Hackney Coaches. In the firſt went the Attorney General, and ſome Attendants. Brandt appeared firſt on the Scaffold; he had on a Gold laced Hat, a green Suit of Cloathes, with Gold Binding, and Boots; he ſpoke for ſome little Time to his Clergyman, Mr. Heb, after which the Sentence was read and executed. His Head was ſeveral Times expoſed to the View of an immenſe Crowd of Spectators. Next appeared Struenſee on the Scaffold, accompanied by Doctor Munter, having his Hat in his Hand, and dreſſed in a blue ſuperfine Suit; he ſpoke to Doctor Munter. When done, his Sentence was executed in every Shape like the foregoing One. Their Corpſe were carried to the uſual Place of Execution, to be there expoſed. Struenſee behaved very penitently; but this cannot be ſaid of Brandt, for his whole Conduct was remarkably bold. Several Files of Soldiers and Sailors guarded the Scaffold, and the Town Guards were alſo reinforced. Though immenſe Numbers were, for Want of Room, diſappointed of ſeeing this Execution, and all ſeeming for a While in a violent Ferment, yet the Whole went off undiſturbed and quietly."

Thurſday laſt his Excellency the Honourable Michael Franklin, Eſquire, with a large Retinue, ſet out for Portſmouth, in Order there to embark for his Government of Nova Scotia; and it is ſaid his Excellency takes out with him upwards of three Hundred and forty wealthy Families, to ſettle upon his various fine and fruitful Eſtates in that Part of the World. His Excellency, we hear, takes his Paſſage in the St. John's Schooner, bound for Halifax, the Metropolis of his Government.

M. Pignerelli, a Neapolitan Gentleman, was beheaded at Rome the 23th ult. for his ſatyrical Writings againſt the Holy See.

The drawing of the Lottery is fixed by the Commiſſioners to begin on Monday the 16th of November next.

May 12. Thurſday Morning laſt a young Lady, daughter to a wealthy Commoner in Place, with a Fortune of thirty Thouſand Pounds at her own Diſpoſal, ſet out for France with her Father's Valet de Chambre.

Extract of a Letter from Peterſburg, *April* 10, *to a Merchant in* London.

"Our illuſtrious Empreſs is not leſs attentive to the great Concerns of Commerce than ſhe is to thoſe of Arms. The new Manufactory of Beaver Hats, which has been eſtabliſhed here under the Auſpices and Protection of her Imperial Majeſty, goes on with rapid and ſurpriſing Succeſs. Her Majeſty has moſt munificently rewarded the Inventors, or rather the Introducers, of that new Manufactory into the Ruſſian Empire. If we continue to go on with the ſame rapid Succeſs, we ſhall ſoon monopolize the whole European Trade in this Article, as we make theſe Hats full as good as the Engliſh Hatters do, if not better, and actually ſell them one Hundred and fifty per Cent. cheaper than the Engliſh Merchants do, notwithſtanding we purchaſe two Thirds of our Beaver from England."

On Friday Night, between eleven and twelve o'Clock, a terrible Fire broke out at Mr. Jefferies's, a Ruſſia Merchant, in Throgmorton Street, which, owing to the Want of Water for near two Hours, raged with great Violence; the Flames communicated to the oppoſite Side of the Street, and deſtroyed ſeveral Houſes. The Loſs is inconceivable. Mr. Jefferies's Stock of Linens alone, it is ſaid, amounts to thirty Thouſand Pounds; and moſt of the Sufferers are Men of Opulence. A Coachman to one of the Sufferers loſt his Life by the Fall of the Wall of Mr. Auguſtine's Houſe, though he had Warning given of his Danger ſeveral Times by the Firemen; and a Man and Maid Servant are miſſing. Mr. Jefferies and his Lady were gone out of Town, after burying their Child. An Iron Cheſt which contained a conſiderable Sum of Money is miſſing, and is ſuppoſed to have been conveyed away by ſome Villains.

Between ten and eleven, on Saturday Morning, another Fire broke out at a Houſe in Wild Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields. Two Men jumped out of a two Pair of Stairs Window; but there being a great Quantity of Mortar Duſt in the Street, they happily received no Hurt; the Fire was ſoon extinguiſhed.

Saturday Morning, about two o'Clock, a Fire broke out at a Gingerbread Baker's in Cumberland Court, Southwark, which entirely conſumed the ſame.

The ſame Morning the Front of a Houſe in Newgate Street fell quite down, with two Labourers on it, both of whom eſcaped unhurt.

Saturday the general Court Martial was diſſolved, and the Sentence laid before the King. It is ſaid the General muſt pay the Regiment for the Clothing.

May 12. Accounts from Copenhagen, of the 28th ult. confirm thoſe brought over by the laſt Mail relative to the Fate of Struenſee and Brandt; and ſay, that Orders have been iſſued for diſcontinuing the uſual Form of publick Prayer, by omitting the Name of Queen Matilda. This Ordinance has already taken Place in the Churches of that City.

Mr. Ramus, and two other Gentlemen of his Majeſty's Houſehold, are gone in the Seaford to attend the Queen of Denmark.

Major Rogers, who was ſo ſerviceable in the Command of a Body of Irregulars laſt War in America, has juſt obtained a Commiſſion from his Majeſty for finding out the north weſt Paſſage in that Quarter. He is to be allowed three Pounds a Day for himſelf, and four Shillings each for fifty Companions of his own chooſing. From the intimate Acquaintance this Gentleman hath with the Country, his Knowledge of the Indian Language, and, above all, having the Object much at Heart, the Scheme ſeems to preſage a very ſucceſsful Iſſue.

On Saturday ſeveral Officers of the Ordnance Board ſet off to inſpect the Condition of the Forts on the weſt Coaſt of Scotland.

Letters from Briſtol mention that Britain now diſcovers Diſpoſition of Repentance, and to prepare for that awful Change he muſt ſoon undergo.

May 13. Notwithſtanding all the Preparations at Zell, for the Reception of her Daniſh Majeſty, we have received a Letter from Copenhagen, of very good Authority, dated the 5th Inſtant, which aſſures us that the Queen Matilda is ſo unſurmountable that ſhe has abſolutely and finally declared ſhe will upon no Conſideration whatever be ſeparated from the King, and that ſhe perſiſts in proteſting againſt the conſiſtorial Decree of April the 6th, by which ſhe was ſentenced to be divorced from her Royal Conſort. She ſtill reſolutely inſiſts, and perſiſts, that ſhe is either guilty or innocent: If the former, then ſhe demands the ſame Puniſhment that has been inflicted upon Struenſee and Brandt; if the latter, then ſhe demands, as a Matter of Right, an ample Reſtitution of her Honour and royal Dignity. This Reſolution has greatly embaraſſed the Court of Copenhagen, and the Reſult of it remains as yet a Myſtery of State.

Our Letters from Hamburg inform that as ſoon as the Commiſſioners of Inquiry had publiſhed both the Sentence and the Defence of Struenſee the Miniſtry planted their Spies in all the Coffeehouſes, and other Places of publick Reſort, in the Town of Copenhagen; in Conſequence of which Eſpionage every Perſon who had publickly ſpoken in Favour either of Struenſee, Brandt, or the Queen Matilda, were the next Day taken up on Suſpicion, and are ſeverally to undergo their reſpective Examinations before the ſaid Commiſſioners of Inquiry.

The ſame Letters furniſh us with a very extraordinary Article of Intelligence, relative to the Execution of Count Brandt, which has not yet tranſpired through any of the foreign Prints. According to this Account, the Clergyman who attended Count Brandt in Priſon undertook to give this State Priſoner a Doſe of Poiſon at the Time he ſhould adminiſter the Holy Sacrament to him; but this Clergyman, it ſeems, failed to perform his Promiſe, ſo that Brandt, having mounted the fatal Scaffold, and this Clergyman advancing towards him, in Order to *ſuck his Brains*, under Pretence of giving him holy Comfort, the Count very unexpectedly, but with great Compoſure of Mind, decently bid him retire from him, adding, the Poiſon of the Clergy of that Country had been in a great Meaſure the Cauſe, not only of his coming to ſo diſagreeable an End, but alſo of involving the whole Kingdom in its preſent Troubles. "Retire from me, therefore (ſays he) good Mr. Doctor, and be aſſured that as I never lived ſo will I never die a Hypocrite; and you can affirm yourſelf that I never would have conſented to take the Sacrament the Day before yeſterday had not you promiſed me, as a Gentleman, and as a Chriſtian, that you would convey a ſufficient Quantity of Poiſon in the Euchariſtical Cup. However, this Breach of your private Word of Honour to me has had this good Effect, namely, that the numerous Crowd now before me may know that I declare, in the Words of a dying Man, that when my Story ſhall be impartially told, and known beyond the narrow Walls of Copenhagen, there will be more Scaffolds erected in Europe than that on which I now fall a devoted Victim."

Extract of a Letter from Liſbon, *April* 7.

"Sunday, at Midnight, two violent Shocks of Earthquakes happened here, which laſted two Minutes, and alarmed all Liſbon. I was in Company with about twenty Perſons of both Sexes, at Supper, in the Houſe of a Hamburg Merchant. This Earthquake was preceded by the Howling of Dogs, and the melancholy Crowing of Cocks. The Inhabitants of the Country are well acquainted with this Kind of Preamble. All the Company turned pale, and immediately we heard a ſubterranean Noiſe, with Howlings and Whiſtlings as in a great Storm. This was immediately followed by a horizontal Shock, which moved every Thing in the Room. We ran towards the Door, when another Shock ſtill ſtronger had like to have thrown us all down. The Stairs by which we deſcended ſhook for two Minutes, which is a long Time under ſuch Circumſtances. We have not yet heard of any Damage done by this Earthquake; but as the chief Force of it was in the Country, there has not yet been Time for the News to come."

A Letter from Cracow, dated April 24th, ſays: "The Commander of the Caſtle, M. Choiſi, capitulated this Day; the Garriſon ſurrendered at Diſcretion, and will march out the Day after to-morrow."

We learn from Copenhagen that the two Dungeons lately vacated in the Caſtle will be occupied by General Falkenſchiold and Lieutenant Heſſelberg, the former of whom it is feared will be condemned to a ſevere Fate.

On Saturday Night laſt ſome of the Domeſticks of his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Glouceſter arrived in Town with Part of his Baggage, and brought an Account that his Royal Highneſs would be in Town, if poſſible, before the Birthday.

Two Houſes contiguous to Kew Houſe are fitted up, one for the Reception of their Royal Highneſſes the Prince of Wales and the Biſhop of Oſnabrug, with their Houſehold, and the other for ſome of the younger Princes and Princeſſes.

By a Veſſel from Antigua there is Advice that a Fire had conſumed above one Hundred Warehouſes of Sugar, Coffee, and European Goods, at Martinico. The Damage is computed at twelve Millions of French Livres.

On Saturday laſt came on in the King's Bench, before Lord Mansfield, and the reſt of the Judges of that Court, the much talked of Cauſe of Somerſet, the Black, againſt Charles Stuart, Eſquire, his Maſter, which was, by mutual Conſent, put off from the laſt Term. Mr. Mansfield, Counſel for the Plaintiff, went very ſpiritedly into the natural Rights and Privileges of Mankind, particularly of thoſe ſubject to the Laws of Great Britain, whom he proved to be peculiarly protected in the uncontrouled Exerciſe of their Freedom. He obſerved, that perpetual Service was not even the Idea of French Government, and inſtanced a Caſe of a Slave's eſcaping from Germany to France, where he was immediately emancipated, and protected. He likewiſe obſerved, in the Caſe of Galley Slaves, thoſe, who by ſimilar Crimes are here puniſhed with Death, ſhould they by any Means eſcape, they never are obliged to reaſſume their Slavery, but are entitled to the Benefits of Liberty. Has there ever been an Inſtance (continued Mr. Mansfield) of a Merchant bringing over a Number of Slaves directly from Africa here, and ſelling them in open Market? No, the meaneſt Briton would take Fire at ſuch a Sight. Where then is the mighty Magick of the Air of the Weſt Indies, that, by tranſplanting them for a While there, they ſhould become our abſolute Property here? The Counſel on the ſame Side not being well enough to attend, the final Hearing of this important Cauſe is farther poſtponed until the latter End of this Week.

"The following comes this Moment from a capital Quarter. All the Letters this Day from Peterſburg (April 30th) bring the following poſitive Advice: The Grand Seignior having left the Place of Congreſs to the Choice of the Empreſs of Ruſſia, ſhe has fixed the ſame to be held at Bucharеſt. The Plenipotentiaries on the Part of Ruſſia are, the Maſter of Ordnance, Count Orlow, and the Privy Counſellor Obreſcow: On the Part of the Grand Seignior are, Oſman Effendi, Reis Effendi, Iſmael Bey. The Suſpenſion of Arms will be ſettled."

The Theatre Royal at Edinburgh has met with uncommon Encouragement this Seaſon, Meſſ. Diggs and Bland having, it is affirmed, cleared near one Thouſand Pounds each; while, on the other Hand, the Theatres in Dublin, the laſt Winter, have been almoſt totally neglected, and the Actors reduced to the greateſt Diſtreſs, from the Managers not being able to pay them the Salaries they contracted for.

A Meſſenger was deſpatched yeſterday from St. James's to Copenhagen with two Packets, one of which he is expreſsly ordered to deliver into the Hands of the King himſelf; the other is for Sir Robert Murray Keith.

It is ſaid that a Reſtitution of Part of the Portion of a certain Queen will be inſiſted upon.

It is reported that ſome very recent Inſults have been offered to the Britiſh Flag in the Mediterranean.

A Reſolution has been taken that no Foreigner ſhall be admitted into any Dockyard, Fort, &c. without previous Leave obtained from the Governours.

Mr. Dowdeſwell's Speech in Anſwer to that of Lord North, at the Opening the Budget, concludes in Words to the following Purport. "The noble Lord has given us a Picture of a great Miniſter; let me be indulged with Liberty to throw out my Ideas on the ſame Subject. In my Opinion, a great Miniſter does not ſhow his Firmneſs ſo much in deſpiſing the Clamours of his Fellow Citizens as the Threats of his Country's Enemies. A great Miniſter will not ſuffer his Majeſty's Dominions to be ſeized, nor the Britiſh Flag to be inſulted with Impunity. He will not ſee the Nation put, by an Enemy, to an enormous Expenſe in warlike Preparations, and require no Indemnification. He will have a Head to plan, and a Heart to execute, Meaſures of his own, and not be the mere Inſtrument of another. He will not one Day give Orders for a naval Armament, and in five Days, a Space of Time too ſhort for receiving a more favourable Anſwer from the Continent, countermand thoſe Orders. The Fleet I allude to was intended, as is evident from its being to rendezvous in the Downs, againſt ſome northern Power. Could any freſh Deſpatches have arrived from any northern Court in five Days? What then was the Object of this Fleet? Can any One tell us? After ſuch a recent and unaccountable Fluctuation of Counſels, does not the Miniſter talk with a peculiar Grace of Manlineſs, Steadineſs, and Firmneſs, and other Roman Virtues?"

The Houſe of Commons have come to a Reſolution that a Sum not exceeding five Thouſand Pounds ſhould be granted to his Majeſty, to be paid to Mr. Charles Irvin for his Invention of a Machine by which Salt Water can be made freſh and wholeſome.

May 14. This Day their Majeſties and the Royal Family took up their Reſidence at Richmond, for the Summer Seaſon.

His Royal Highneſs the Duke of Glouceſter has ſent over, as a Preſent to the Prince of Wales, a Set of little Ponies, to draw his Royal Highneſs in a Pheton; they were purchaſed in Italy, and are judged the ſmalleſt and moſt curious Horſes ever ſeen in England.

Several capital Paintings, ſome curious Engravings, and ſeveral fine Buſts, which were made a Preſent to his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Glouceſter by the Pope, on Tueſday landed at the Cuſtomhouſe from Italy.

Extract of a Letter from the Frontiers of Turkey, *dated April* 1.

"Marſhal Romanzow, after receiving Inſtructions from his Court relative to the Manner in which he was to conclude the Preliminaries of Peace, ſent a Perſon of Conſequence to the Ottoman Camp, accompanied by forty Lords, and eſcorted by two Hundred Horſe Grenadiers. On their Way they were met by a numerous Body of Janizaries, with their Muſick, and were ſaluted by the Diſcharge of the Artillery. The principal Turkiſh Officers came to meet him, and placing the Ruſſian Plenipotentiary between them, they conducted him to the Grand Vizier's Tent, who received him with great Ceremony and Diſtinction, treated him magnificently for three Days, according to the Ottoman Cuſtom, and made him rich Preſents. There was a Conference in the Night, which laſted a long Time. After having executed his Commiſſion, this Lord took Leave of the Grand Vizier, and returned to Moldavia, but left one of the Officers of his Suite, who was ſent to Conſtantinople the next Day with four Turkiſh Officers. As ſoon as he arrived he went to the Kaimacan, to whom he notified that he came from the Ottoman Camp. He ſtayed three Days in that Capital, and was ſent back to the Grand Vizier with other Deſpatches; from whence he is to go to Moldavia, to give Account of his Commiſſion to Count Romanzow. It is not yet known what has paſſed in this Negotiation, but it is hoped that we ſhall ſoon be informed of it."

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, *May* 5.

"The Governour of Surinam has repreſented to the Directors of that Colony that unhappily the Natives of the Country have invaded and demoliſhed ſome of the diſtant Plantations; and that, for Want of Troops, he was not able to quell them. This News has occaſioned a great Deal of Conſternation, and the Directors are taking the neceſſary Meaſures to remedy the Evil complained of."

In the Month of February laſt we announced the Failure of Mr. Giral Keoft, a great Bankrupt of Augſburg in Germany; he failed for one Million two Hundred Thouſand Guilders (each Guilder is valued at twenty eight Pence Engliſh Money) ever ſince which Time a civil Guard has been planted Night and Day before his Houſe. But our Letters from this Imperial Town, of the 20th of April laſt, remark, that, notwithſtanding ſuch Guard, he eſcaped the 30th of March, at nine o'Clock in the Morning, from his own Houſe, into the Biſhop's Palace there. This Palace, it ſeems, has the Privilege of Sanctuary, or a Right of protecting all Criminals that take Refuge in it. Our Correſpondent, who favours us with this Intelligence, adds, that Mr. Keoft took with him Jewels of very great Value, beſides Bills of Exchange and other Papers to a very conſiderable Amount. But one of Mr. Keoft's falſe Friends, who viſited him every Day in the Precincts of this Epiſcopal Palace, over-perſuaded him that he was in imminent Danger of being given up, by Means of a large Sum of Money properly applied; and therefore adviſed him, by all Means, to withdraw himſelf from this ſuſpicious Place of Refuge, and to retire inſtantly to England, where he might reſide in abſolute Safety, and live in all the Splendour of a Britiſh Nobleman. Mr. Keoft, unhappily for him, gave into this Snare, and laſt Night his falſe Friend undertook to conduct him out of the Biſhop's Palace by a private Paſſage; but no ſooner had Mr. Keoft ſet Foot on unprivileged Ground than he was taken into Cuſtody, and inſtantly conveyed to Priſon. On ſearching his Pockets, and ſtrong Cheſt, there was found in Value upwards of five Hundred Thouſand Guilders.

Orders are given for ſhipping a Quantity of Goods in the Panther Man of War, on Board of which Commodore Shuldham is to hoiſt his Flag, to be diſtributed to the Chiefs of the Indian Tribes in Alliance with Great Britain.

Twenty two more Veſſels have ſailed from the River for Greenland this Sea on than in any preceding Year, owing to the late increaſe of Bounty by Government.

May 15. Preparations are now making for an intended Tour of their Royal Highneſſes the Prince of Wales and Biſhop of Oſnabrug round Great Britain, under the Protection of the Earls of Holderneſſe and Huntingdon.

It is reported that among other foreign Curioſities and valuable Relicks from Rome, lately landed at the Cuſtomhouſe, are two Hogſheads of *Holy Water*, for the Family Uſe.

Yeſterday came on in the Court of King's Bench, before Lord Mansfield, and the reſt of the Judges, the very intereſting Trial between Mr. Stuart and his Negro Servant. Mr. Wallis, who was Counſel on the Part of the former, made Uſe of many able and learned Arguments, and threw various new and important Lights on the Queſtion. When he had finiſhed, Lord Mansfield interrogated him cloſely on certain Poſitions he had advanced, particularly on that of contending that the Relation between a Negro and his Owner might be well maintained on the Ground of a Contract between Maſter and Servant, which was incontrovertibly known to be binding, by the eſtabliſhed Uſages and Statute Laws of the Land; his Lordſhip remarking, at the ſame Time, that the Nature of the Proceedings contradicted this Aſſertion in the ſtrongeſt Terms, and was utterly repugnant and deſtructive of every Idea of a Contract between the Parties. Judge Aſton read an Opinion of the Lords Hardwick and Northington; the one when Attorney General, and the other when Solicitor General, where they decided againſt the Slave in Favour of the Owner, and likewiſe reported the Sentiments of the Biſhop of London to the ſame Effect, that Baptiſm made no Sort of Change in the political State of a Negro. Lord Mansfield then farther aſked the Counſel if he meant to ſupport the Propoſition in its full Extent, "that the Plantation Laws relative to Slaves bound them in Great Britain and Ireland, or intended to draw a poſitive Line between them, ſo as to ſeparate and diſtinguiſh in what particular Inſtances they ought to operate, and concluded by expreſſing his Wiſhes that (if the Object in Queſtion was of ſuch high Importance as now argued) a Law might be framed by the Legiſlature in Order to remedy the Evil; however, that, for his own Part, though he had a Power to *declare the Law*, he had none *to make or create one* on the preſent Occaſion. The Cauſe was then deferred for final Determination till next Thurſday; Mr. Dunning, the other Counſel, not being able to attend ſooner.

On Wednesday Morning a Linen Draper's Daughter, not far from the Royal Exchange, thought proper to elope with her Father's youngeſt Apprentice, a Youth about eighteen; the young Lady is already entitled to four Thouſand Pounds, by the Death of an Aunt.

Yeſterday Morning early a young Lady of Fleet Street, who has three Thouſand Pounds Fortune at her own Diſpoſal, was going to be married to the Head Waiter of a Coffeehouſe near Mitre Court; but her Father being alarmed, by ſome Accident, ſoon overtook the happy Couple, juſt as they were going to Church, and prevented the Nuptials, to their great Sorrow.

We hear from Newmarket that on Monday laſt the great Sweepſtakes of one Thouſand eight Hundred Guineas was run for by the Horſes of the Duke of Grafton, Duke of Ancaſter, Marquis of Rockingham, Lord Bolingbroke, Lord Groſvenor, Captain O'Kelly, &c. which was won by Captain O'Kelly's Horſe Sod, got by Matchem.

Yeſterday came on the Continuation of the Argument in Weſtminſter Hall on the Negro Cauſe. Counſellor Hargrave opened it. He entered deeply and learnedſy into the ancient and modern State of Slavery in this and other Countries. He proved that the Law of England had conſtantly diſcountenanced Slavery, even in the eſtabliſhed Form of Villanage, until it was totally aboliſhed; that it conſtantly guarded againſt the Admiſſion of every new Species of Slavery, and therefore could never be ſuppoſed to warrant this which was now contended for. Counſellor Alleyne ſupported his Argument very ably and eloquently. He laid it down, as an unimpeachable Propoſition, that all municipal Relations which were repugnant to natural Laws ceaſed to operate the Moment the Perſons affected by them were out of the State in which they were made; that Slavery was a municipal Relation between Maſter and Slave, which violated the natural Rights of the Slave; and therefore, that, however it might be eſtabliſhed by the Laws of Virginia, it could not ſubſiſt by Force of thoſe Laws out of that Colony. He concluded with hoping that Mr. Stewart, and every other Man who arrogated ſuch an unjuſt, inhuman, and dangerous Dominion over a Man when in this Country, would be told that the Laws of England would not endure it, nor ſuffer the free Air of this Realm to be contaminated with the Breath of a Slave. Counſellor Wallace replied in Support of the Maſter's Claim. He contented himſelf with affirming, what was never denied, in advancing Arguments which had been already ſtated and fully refuted; and finiſhed with talking about the Nature of Contracts, when no Contract was alleged or exiſted. The farther Hearing of the Cauſe was adjourned to Monday next, when Mr. Dunning will continue the Argument.

Another Account ſays, yeſterday Morning came on before the Court of King's Bench the farther Hearing of the Negro Cauſe, when, after very learned and eloquent Arguments offered on Behalf of the Black by Meſſ. Hargrave and Alleyne, and a Speech from Mr. Wallace on the other Side, the farther Hearing was adjourned to next Week; however, it is thought the Matter will be compromiſed, as Lord Mansfield ſtrongly recommended it to the Weſt Indian Merchants to apply to Parliament if the preſent Laws be not ſufficient to protect their Property in their Slaves.

A Correſpondent ſays, that immediately after the Birthday Lord North will reſign both his moſt important Poſts in the Government; his Lordſhip is to be ſucceeded as firſt Lord of the Treaſury by Earl Gower, and as Chancellor of the Exchequer by Mr. Rigby; the Duke of Grafton to be Preſident of the Council, in the Room of Earl Gower; Lord Weymouth to ſucceed the former as Lord Privy Seal, and the Honourable Mr. Charles Fox to ſucceed Mr. Rivby as Paymaſter of the Forces.

We hear that if the Court of King's Bench ſhould refuſe to releaſe Somerſet, the Black, that it is determined, under the Protection of the Duke of Richmond, and other worthy Perſons, to appeal to the Houſe of Lords, as the Principle on which the Queſtion muſt be determined concerns the whole Britiſh Nation.

As the Execution of Struenſee and Brandt has not yet been notified by Authority in the Gazette, many People ſeem to conſider the Accounts which have been received of it as highly problematical, eſpecially as the Miniſtry can have no Reaſon for concealing ſuch an Event, ſince it cannot poſſibly do the leaſt Service to the Queen of Denmark's Reputation.

We can aſſure our Readers that the Attention of the beſt Men in the Kingdom is drawn toward the Deciſion of the very intereſting Cauſe of Somerſet, the Negro; and that a Bill will be brought into Parliament, next Seſſion, to regulate the African Trade, by a worthy Baronet, who means to employ his Pen, as well as his Eloquence, on this Subject.

We hear that a new Regulation of the Coin is adopted, and that in Conſequence thereof a new Coinage of Silver will ſoon take Place.

May 16. Letters by yeſterday's Holland Mail bring the following melancholy Account. On Monday Evening laſt, juſt before the Beginning of the Flemiſh Opera at the Theatre in Amſterdam, a ſmall Rope belonging to ſome of the Machinery took Fire, owing to a Candle having been by Accident placed immediately under it, which communicated itſelf to the Boxes with ſuch Rapidity that in a very few Minutes the whole Houſe was in Flames. The Smoke and Confuſion was ſo great, that, though many eſcaped out of the Houſe, a large Number, amounting to near three Hundred Perſons, we are ſorry to inform the Publick, periſhed in the Flames. Among them were many of the firſt Families in Holland. Huſband and Wife, Mother and Daughter, were burnt together. In ſhort, when the Mail came away, ſo great was the Confuſion, owing to the above dreadful Calamity, that ſcarce Half the Buſineſs was conducted by the Merchants in Perſon. Eight or nine Houſes were likewiſe burnt down by the ſaid Fire.

Letters from Switzerland adviſe that many People who went from that Country to inhabit the Britiſh Colonies of Carolina and Georgia are returning from thence, the Climate not agreeing with them.

Mr. S—thco-e, who was ſo entertaining, in the Character of a Butcher, at the Maſquerade at the Pantheon, among the reſt accoſted Mr. Sto—— F—, who was ſitting by Lady Mary, more than Half aſleep. The Butcher, handling his Carcaſe in the Smithfield Stile, declared he never ſaw finer Surloins and Buttocks in his Life; and that he would fain buy him, but dared not venture. I can't find out how old he is, ſaid the Butcher, turning to Lady Mary, for the Beaſt has no Horns.

If I was Counſel for Somerſet the Negro, (ſays a Correſpondent) I would take up the Matter higher than any of his Counſel have yet done. I would urge, and I think I could prove, that he neither now is, nor ever was, the Property of his Maſter; that the original Vender had no Right to ſell, nor the original Purchaſer to buy him; that all Mankind, as they are born, ought to live, equally free; and that the Slave Trade, whatever the mercantile World may urge to the contrary, is an infamous bartering of human Fleſh and Blood, an accurſed Violation of the moſt ſacred Right of human Nature.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 23.

AT Oporto, the 20th of March, died the Reverend and Honourable JAMES HORROCKS, Counſellor of State to his Majeſty for Virginia, Commiſſary to the Biſhop of London, Preſident of William & Mary College, and Rector of Bruton; a Gentleman well verſed in ſeveral Branches of ſound Learning, particularly the Mathematicks, and eminently poſſeſſed of thoſe Virtues which increaſe in Value as they are fartheſt from Oſtentation.

The Riſing Sun, Captain Peterſon, from London, is arrived in York River.

We hear that on Thurſday laſt two Men, fiſhing in a Canoe in York River, were loſt in a Squall of Wind.

[DEATHS.] Colonel HARTWELL COCKE, one of the Repreſentatives for Surry, of a lingering Illneſs.

☞ *Many of our Cuſtomers, with much Juſtice, will, no Doubt, expect an Apology from us for the Irregularity of the Poſt that goes to* Halifax *Town in* North Carolina; *and although we have repeatedly complained, by Letter, to the Gentleman who conducts that Buſineſs for us, we have never been able, until laſt Week, to procure an Anſwer, owing to the Boy's keeping up the Letters. In future, we can aſſure them they may rely on that Punctuality in the Rider which their good Payments have ſo well merited.*

Advertiſements.

IN the Subſcriber's Store, at *Portſmouth*, a CASK of PEWTER marked N T, which the Owner may have on paying Charges and proving his Property. Alſo four Barrels of GUNPOWDER, imported in the Ship *Nelly*, Captain *Galbraith*, which were ſent up *James* River, but no Perſon would receive them; to be delivered, on paying Charges, by JOHN GOODRICH.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 23, 1772.

THE Ship *Neptune*, *Jonathan Punderſon* Commander, now lying off Colonel *Corbin*'s, in *Mattapony* River, and bound for *London*, having the beſt Part of her Cargo engaged, will certainly ſail by the 15th of next Month; and in the mean Time will take in, on Liberty, about a Hundred Hogſheads, to complete her Loading. She has likewiſe good Accommodations for Paſſengers. Thoſe inclinable to ſhip Tobacco, or go in the ſaid Ship, may ſpeak with the Captain while the Merchants are in Town, afterwards on Board the Ship.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 23, 1772.

A TOBACCO NOTE of Mr. *Joſeph Turner*'s, on *Gray's Creek* Warehouſe, for a Hogſhead of Tobacco marked No. 549, Groſs Weight 1226, Tare 123, Neat 1103, was found a few Days ago in this City, which the Owner may have at the Poſt Office, on paying for this Advertiſement.

WHEREAS, on or about the 11th of laſt *February*, I purchaſed four Negroes of Mr. *John Wormeley*, for which I paid ſixty two Pounds ſix Shillings immediately, and gave my Bond, with *Iſaac Pead* Security, for the farther Sum of ninety two Pounds fourteen Shillings, payable to the ſaid *John Wormeley* on or before the 1ſt of *October* next, I hereby forewarn any Perſon from taking an Aſſignment of the ſaid Bond, as I am determined not to pay it till the ſaid *John Wormeley* makes me a good Right to all the aforeſaid Negroes, and fully complies with the Bargain in his Behalf made, which hitherto he has failed to do RICHARD NUTT.

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of *John Baylor*, Eſquire, deceaſed, are hereby requeſted to make Payment to Mr. *Edmund Pendleton*, Junior, and thoſe who have any Demands againſt it are deſired to make them known to him, being empowered to tranſact the Buſineſs of that Eſtate by

JOHN ARMISTEAD, NATHANIEL BURWELL, } Executors.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 20, 1772.

IT is requeſted that all Perſons who have any Claim againſt the Eſtate of Mr. *John Lane*, deceaſed, will immediately make them known to Mr. *John Prentis*, that they may be adjuſted, as well ſuch Debts as his Eſtate may be liable for during his Continuance in the Office of Serjeant of this City as on his own private Account. As I ſhall not think myſelf anſwerable for any Claims made after *April* next, I hope thoſe concerned will not fail to render their Accounts.

JAMES HOLDCROFT, Executor.

PURSUANT to a Decree of the Honourable the General Court, we ſhall, on the 25th of *Auguſt*, on the Premiſes, ſell, at publick Auction, the LANDS of *Francis Willis*, Eſquire, in *Glouceſter* County, to wit: Eight Hundred Acres, more or leſs, called *Du-Val*'s and *Cowper*'s, and five Hundred Acres, or thereabouts, called *Cocke*'s, with ſundry Slaves, Stocks, and Houſehold Furniture. And on the 28th of the ſame Month, about twelve Hundred of Land at *Skimino*, on *York* River, in *York* County, with ſome Slaves and Stock, will be ſold; the Lands at eighteen Months Credit, and twelve Months for the Slaves and perſonal Eſtate, the Purchaſers giving Bond, with ſufficient Security. Poſſeſſion of the ſaid Lands and Slaves to be delivered up at *Chriſtmas* next. We ſhall alſo attend at *Glouceſter* Courthouſe on the 6th of that Month, it being Court Day, to receive and ſtate the Demands of Mr *Willis*'s Creditors, who are deſired to produce and prove them before us.

JOHN PAGE, THOMAS NELSON, Junior, DAVID KER, } Commiſſioners.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 23, 1772.

I ROBERT AGNEW, late an Apothecary in *London*, being deſirous to ſee the Colonies in *America*, undertook the Journey laſt *March*, and arrived at *Norfolk*, in *Virginia*, the 14th of *May* following.

I have imported a large Quantity of PATENT MEDICINES, with the Drugs neceſſary for my own Practice during my Stay in the Colonies. I conſidered theſe Patent Medicines to be very proper for Planters, and Gentlemen who live at a Diſtance from the Faculty, to keep in their Families, as I know them to be extremely uſeful. The proper Manner of applying them to the reſpective Diſorders for which they are intended are ſo clearly ſhown that any Perſon may, with Reſpect to them, be his own Phyſician.

I received Intelligence from ſeveral Gentlemen in *Norfolk*, and from Captain *Edward Wright* near *Nanſemond*, of ſome being cured of the Jaundice and intermitting Fevers; ſhowing, at the ſame Time, the great Quantities of ſaline bilious Humours which flowed from the Stomach, by uſing the Sugar Cakes.

Were I to cite the Quantities of Worms, or their Size, diſcharged from ſome Individuals (as given by the ſaid judicious Authors) the Cures of the Toothach, and Scurvy in the Gums, it might ſtagger the Faith of ſome; ſo ſhall let Time and Opportunity prove it.

In Conformity to the Solicitations of the People who have experienced the ſalutary Effects of theſe Medicines, I left a large Quantity with Mr. *Henry Flemming*, Merchant in *Norfolk*; ſo that the Publick may be ſerved by him occaſionally.

The Medicines are as follows: The Worm Sugar Cakes; the Royal Imperial Golden Snuff; *Turlington*'s Balſam of Life; Tinctura Odontolgia, an Antidote againſt the Toothach and Scurvy in the Gums, and will make the Teeth a beautiful White from firſt uſing it; an excellent Eye Water; a beautiful Lip Salve, from firſt uſing of which the Lips will become ſoft and ſmooth, and is good for ſuckling Womens Nipples; *Anderſon*'s genuine Pills; a new invented Scheme for curing the Scurvy, Itch, or any cutaneous Eruption, by rubbing an Ointment betwixt the Hands, and ſmelling them. This Ointment will cure Scald Heads, Ringworms, &c. Likewiſe a fine Preparation of Drops for purifying the Blood.

I intend to ſet out from my preſent Lodgings in this City (which are at Mr. *Robert Nicolſon*'s) on my intended Journey to *Orange* County, in *North Carolina*, on *Monday* next.

YORK Town, *July* 22, 1772.

ON *Thurſday* the 30th Inſtant will be ſold by publick Auction, at the late Dwellinghouſe of *James Mitchell*, deceaſed, the Remainder of his Eſtate; for which the Purchaſers will have Credit, for all Sums above twenty Shillings, until *December* next, upon giving Bond and Security to

JANET MITCHELL, Executrix.

To be SOLD,

SIX Hundred Acres of exceeding rich level LAND on *Nottoway* River, between *Ballng*'s and *Sword*'s Bridges, in *Suſſex* County, one Hundred of which is fine low Grounds, produces good Wheat and Corn, and is capable of being made as good a Paſture as can be wiſhed, without the Advantage of Salt Water as well as freſh. The other Part is good for Tobacco, and would produce exceeding good Grain of any Kind in great Abundance. It is alſo very good and convenient for making Indigo, and in Order to work ſix or eight Hands. The Land may be ſeen at any Time by applying to Mr. *Green*, in the Neighbourhood. Thoſe inclinable to purchaſe are deſired to meet on the Premiſes, on *Friday* the 21ſt of *Auguſt*, when the Terms may be agreed on. JOHN HOLT.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND, conſiſting of eight Hundred and forty five Acres by a late Survey, on the north Side of *Tanner*'s Creek, very well timbered, and fine Landings for a Maſter Builder of Ships. I will ſell it very cheap for Caſh. For Terms apply to me in *Warwick* County.

2 WILLIAM HARWOOD, Junior.

For SALE,

ABOUT four Hundred Acres of rich broken LAND upon *Otter* River, *Bedford* County, at the Mouth of *Falling* Creek, with a new overſhot Mill, which is fixed upon a Rock, out of the Way of Freſhes, about thirty Yards below a perpendicular Fall of twelve or fourteen Feet; at the Head of the Fall the Rocks project in ſuch a Manner that a ſufficient Dam has been made which could not coſt above ſeven Shillings and Sixpence, and which no Freſh can carry away; it never wants Water, ſtands in a good Place for Cuſtom, and its Wheels and Stones are well fixed and in good Order, but its natural are ſuperiour to its artificial Conveniencies. The Terms may be known by applying to JAMES DONALD.

For SALE,

A PLANTATION containing a Hundred and ſeventy five Acres, on the north Fork of *Otter* River, *Bedford* County, of which there are about forty Acres cleared. It has a tolerable Peach and Apple Orchard, with a very good Meadow, a pretty good Log Dwellinghouſe, and a double Log Barn. Whoever inclines to purchaſe may know the Terms, and be ſhown the Land, by the Subſcriber, who lives upon it. A good Title will be made by Mr. *James Donald*, to whom it is conveyed in Truſt.

ANDREW EVINS.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND, containing about a Thouſand Acres, in *Northumberland* County, *North Carolina*. It is exceeding rich, beautifully ſituated between *Point Lookout* and *Smith's Point*, and commands a pleaſant Proſpect of *Cheſapeak* Bay. There are ſome Gentleman who pretend to claim a Right in the ſaid Land; but as it was determined by *Northumberland* Court in Favour of the preſent Poſſeſſors, and their Decree was determined by the General Court, and leſt ſuch a Report may be prejudicial to the Sale of the Land, I will give Bond and Security to make a good and indefeaſible Right and Title. Any Gentleman inclinable to purchaſe may hear farther Particulars by applying to

GRANVILLE, *June* 10, 1772. JOHN GORDON.

COMMITTED to the Jail of *Charles City*, on *Wedneſday* the 15th Inſtant (*July*) a Negro Fellow named HARRY; he ſays he was ſold, ſome Time paſt, by Captain *John Atkinſon*, but cannot tell his Maſter's Name, as he ran off in the Night of the ſame Day his Maſter purchaſed him. The Owner is deſired to take him away, and pay Charges. JAMES EPPES, Jailer.

COMMITTED to the Jail of *Dinwiddie*, a ſmall Negro Fellow named NED, who cannot, or will not, declare the Name of his Owner. He has on a double breaſted red Jacket, and an old Negro Cotton One over it died yellow, a Pair of Drill Breeches, an Oſnabrug Shirt, and a Hat. The Owner is deſired to pay Charges and take him away 1 MATTHEW MAYES, Jailer.

RUN away from the Ship THORNTON, *John Kid* Commander, now lying at *Leeds* Town, ſix Convicts, namely: WILLIAM NICHOLSON, aged about twenty one Years, five Feet four Inches high, pitted with the Smallpox, and wears his own ſhort black Hair; WILLIAM SMITH, about twenty ſeven Years of Age, a ſhort well made Man, and has had ſore Legs; PETER KNIGHT, of a very dark Complexion, and about five Feet ten Inches high; PATRICK BURN, a very ill looking Fellow, and about ſix Feet high; JOSEPH WADE, a ſhort well made Man, about forty Years of Age, wears his own gray Hair, has been tranſported four Times under as many different Names, and is Ringleader to the reſt; the above five are Seamen; ALEXANDER CLUBB, a very likely well made Man, ſix Feet high, wears his own long black Hair, has been ſome Time in the Army, and is by Trade a Shoemaker. Whoever ſecures them ſo that they may be had again ſhall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward for each, and his Expenſes paid, or if brought to the Ship, the ſame Reward, beſides what the Law allows. If they are taken up in *Maryland*, it is deſired that they be delivered to Mr. *William Ruſſell*, Merchant in *Baltimore* Town, who will give the ſame Reward. 4 JOHN KID.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Brunſwick*, a Mulatto Fellow named BARNABY, about twenty five Years old, of a low Stature, well made, very ſenſible, and ſtutters a good Deal in his Speech; he had on, when he went away, a white Linen Shirt, black Breeches, a white *Ruſſia* Sheeting Coat and Jacket, and a black Velvet Cap, but as he carried other Clothes with him it is probable he may change them. He formerly belonged to Mr. *Auguſtine Smith*, in *Middleſex*, and I imagine will make towards there. Whoever brings the ſaid Negro to me ſhall have FIVE POUNDS Reward.

THOMAS CRAUFURD.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 16, 1772.

LAST *Saturday*, at a Court of Common Hall, a bye Law was paſſed for conſtituting a WATCH, to conſiſt of four ſober and diſcreet People, who are to patrol the Streets of this City from ten o'Clock every Night until Daylight the next Morning, to cry the Hours, and uſe their beſt Endeavours to preſerve Peace and good Order, by apprehending and bringing to Juſtice all diſorderly People, Slaves, as well as others. They are likewiſe to have the Care of the FIRE ENGINES, and to be ready, in Caſes of Accidents by Fire, to give their Aſſiſtance towards extinguiſhing the ſame. For which Services each Perſon is to receive a Salary of thirty Pounds a Year.

This Regulation, it is hoped, may prove extremely beneficial, not only to this City, but to the Neighbourhood in general. But as much will depend on thoſe to be employed as Watchmen, ſuch only as will anſwer the above Deſcription (to which muſt be added Honeſty and Diligence) need apply; and they are to give in their Names, with the neceſſary Certificates, to the Mayor, to be laid before the Common Hall to be held on the firſt *Tueſday* in next Month, when the Watch will be appointed.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 16, 1772.

JOHN BAKER, SURGEON DENTIST, begs Leave to inform the Publick, and his Friends in particular, that he is now in *Williamſburg*, where he performs all Operations upon the Teeth, Gums, and Sockets, as uſual; likewiſe has a Quantity of his ANTI-SCORBUTICK DENTIFRICE, for preſerving the Teeth and Gums.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 11, 1772.

WE, the Executors of Mr. *William Hunter*, late of this City, Printer, deceaſed, having long ſince paid all Debts appearing againſt his Eſtate, and near all his Legacies, intend in a few Months to make a final Settlement of the Eſtate, and ſo conclude our Adminiſtration. Should any other Demands remain unadjuſted, we deſire they may be immediately made known to us, otherwiſe we ſhall not, after the Settlement, look upon ourſelves obliged to pay them; and as ſeveral old Accounts remain open on his Books, we ſhall eſteem it an Act of Generoſity, as well as of Juſtice, in the Debtors to diſcharge them.

BEN: WALLER.
THOMAS EVERARD.

ALL Perſons concerned are deſired to take Notice that the Collection of the Debts due to Meſſ. *M'Call & Elliot* of *Glaſgow*, for Dealings had with the Subſcriber, at *Todd*'s Warehouſe, are now tranſferred to Mr. *Robert M'Candliſh*, who is duly authoriſed to receive and give Diſcharges for the ſame. The Subſcriber propoſes to ſell the Plantation whereon he lives, lying about a Mile and a Half from *Todd*'s Warehouſe, containing ſix Hundred and fifty ſeven Acres, under a good Fence, with good Apple and Peach Orchards; the Dwelling and other Houſes have been built about four Years. Any One who chooſes to purchaſe may know the Terms by applying to.

ROBINSON DAINGERFIELD.

ABOUT forty Thouſand Pounds of Tranſfer TOBACCO will be ſold to the higheſt Bidder, on *Thurſday* the 20th of *Auguſt*, for ready Money, at *Suſſex* Courthouſe, being Court Day, for the Benefit of the ſaid County and *Albemarle* Pariſh.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt Bidder, on* Saturday *the* 8th *of* Auguſt, *on the Premiſes*,

A TRACT of LAND belonging to the Subſcriber, near Captain *Henry Lynes*'s, in *King & Queen*, containing about three Hundred and fifty Acres, on which are two ſmall Plantations, and will be ſold together, or divided into two Lots, as may ſuit the Purchaſers. The Terms of Payment will be declared at the Sale, and the Money to be paid, or Security given, to Mr. *Edmund Pendleton*. Any Perſon may be ſhown the Land by applying to 2 JOHN BURNS.

FREDERICKSBURG, *July* 8, 1772.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subſcriber, about the 24th of *June*, a likely dark bay HORSE about fifteen Hands high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, a Star in his Forehead, trots and gallops, was ſhod all round, and has a ſmall Knot on one of his Buttocks, but no Brand that can be remembered. Whoever deliyers him to me ſhall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward.

HENRY MITCHELL.

COMMITTED to *James City* Priſon, on *Saturday* the 11th Inſtant (*July*) a Negro Woman who ſays her Name is MOLLY, and that ſhe is the Property of the Honourable *William Byrd*; ſhe is of a yellow Complexion, about forty Years of Age, of the middle Stature, well made, has on an Oſnabrug Waiſtcoat, Coat, Shift, and Petticoat, and a *Virginia* Yarn Ditto, with white Warpine and blue Filling. The Owner is deſired to take her away, and pay the neceſſary Charges. JOHN CONNELLY, Jailer.

POETS CORNER.

The MASQUERADE.

A SET of Maskers got together,
No Matter when, no Matter whither,
Slaves of dear Dissimulation;
Oh! the sweet Association:
This in a monkish Habit dress'd,
A diabolick Heart possess'd;
A Libertine appear'd a Sage,
And seem'd to turn the learned Page;
There a solemn, grave Physician,
Prov'd a smoking Politician;
There's a fair Shepherdess in Green,
A wanton Lady with the Spleen;
And here Minerva with her Lance,
A pretty Milliner from France;
A Nun, that seem'd as pure as Light,
Soon prov'd a very Hypocrite;
A Beldam pass'd for a Lucina;
Diana prov'd a Messalina;
And there, Oh! shameful to relate,
A Scholar wore an empty Pate;
When, in the Midst of Mirth and Glee,
Appear'd a Form all Majesty:
What was this Form? you quickly ask,
'Twas Virtue, and without a Mask;
As from her Eyes the Radiance blaz'd,
Each for a While attentive gaz'd;
Struck by the Wonders of her Face,
Her awful Brow, her native Grace,
Her snowy Garment loosely flowing,
A Thousand nameless Charms bestowing;
But when the matchless Form began
To declaim on the Soul of Man,
Prov'd vain Pretences led to Evil,
And sprung from Man's worst Foe, the Devil,
An universal Murmur rose,
And Malice thus her Venom shows:
"What are those Robes of shining White?
"At first so dazzling to the Sight;
"Her winning Face, her noble Air,
"No longer charm me, I declare;
"Her Meaning is but to entice us,
"Her Beauty's a *deceptio visus*."
Now all the Masks by Turns surround her,
And strive on every Side to wound her;
When Virtue thus bespoke the Crew,
And then with silent Scorn withdrew:
"I never shall again intrude
"Among the Ignorant and Lewd;
"In Virtue, Vice no Charms can see;—
"Affection springs from Sympathy;
"I leave you as I found you still,
"The humble Servants of Illwill."

GENERAL POST OFFICE, *New York, November* 1, 1772.

NOTICE is hereby given, that on Account of the new Regulation of the Post from *Canada*, which is to arrive every *Tuesday* Evening at this Office, and the weekly Post from the Eastward and Southward arriving every *Wednesday*, the Mail going from hence by the Packets will, for the future, be closed at twelve o'Clock on Night, on the first *Wednesday* in every Month (being the same Time it closes at the General Post Office in *London* for *America*) and a Packet dispatched therewith the next Day for *Falmouth*.

By Command of the Deputy Postmaster General.

(Tf) ALEXANDER COLDEN, Secretary.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Middlesex*, about the Beginning of *June* last, a Negro Man named GABRIEL, about twenty two Years old, a very likely Fellow, of a yellowish Complexion, about five Feet high, and had on, when he went away, a Pair of Leather Breeches, a white Cotton Waistcoat, a greenish *Virginia* Cloth One under it, and an Osnabrug Shirt. It is supposed he will go towards *Pungoar*. Whoever will deliver him to me, or secure him in Jail, and give me Notice thereof, shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, besides what the Law allows. JOHN M'NEAL.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Chesterfield*, on the 12th of *May*, a Mulatto Man named DICK, about forty Years of Age, of the middle Stature, with straight Hair. I expect he will endeavour to pass for a Freeman. Whoever brings him to me, or secures him so that I may get him again, shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward. EDWARD BRANCH.

PRINCE GEORGE, *June* 22, 1772.

CAME to my Plantation, on the 20th Instant, a likely outlandish Negro Fellow about five Feet six Inches high, talks some *English* Words, but cannot, or will not, tell his Master's Name so as to be understood; his Clothing consists of an old *Virginia* Cloth Coat bound with black Ferret, and black Horn Buttons, Rolls Trowsers, an Osnabrug Shirt, and an old Cotton Waistcoat. He has his Country Marks on his Face. His Owner is desired to take him away as soon as possible. ROBERT GILLIAM.

TAKEN up, in *Orange*, a black and white COW marked with a Crop and Hole in each Ear. Posted, and appraised to forty five Shillings. CHARLES BUSH.

To be SOLD *to the highest Bidder, on the second Day of next* August Augusta *Court, at the Courthouse,*

FIVE Hundred and fifty five Acres of very good level LAND, well timbered, and very good for Grain or Tobacco, lying on *Briery Branch*, about eighteen Miles below *Staunton*, and formerly belonged to Mr. *James Diver*. Any Person inclinable to purchase may know the Terms before the Day of Sale by applying to the Subscriber, in the lower End of *Orange*, or to Mr. *James Robb* in *Fredericksburg*. Half the Money to be paid down, and twelve Months Credit allowed for the other Half, on giving Bond and Security to REUBEN DANIEL,
Or JAMES ROBB.

CAROLINE, *July* 2, 1772.

WHEREAS my Wife ELIZABETH has, without the least Provocation, absconded from me, and declared she will not return to her Duty, these are to forewarn all Persons from giving her Credit on my Account, as I am determined to pay no Debt she may contract after this Date. JEREMIAH PEARCE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 6, 1772.

SOME Persons having misunderstood my Advertisement, as if I intended to make myself liable for all my Brother's Debts, which is not my Design, any farther than the Law charges me, I explain my Meaning to be only to express my Confidence, that, if the Debtors are speedy in their Payments, and the Creditors indulgent, there would be sufficient to satisfy all Demands without ruining my Brother's numerous Family; and of this I am still confident, and earnestly desire both Debtors and Creditors to comply with my Request.

JOHN DIXON.

MIDDLESEX, *June* 29, 1772.

THE Subscriber intends to leave the Colony.

JOHN BAGOT.

Just IMPORTED *from* London, *and to be* SOLD *by the Subscriber, in* Williamsburg,

A COMPLETE Assortment of MILLINERY, *&c.* Paste Necklaces and Earrings; Marcasite Ditto; Wax Ditto set round with Marcasite; *French* Wax, Coral, Garnet, and Agate Ditto; Paste Buckles, Combs, Lockets, and Crosses; Silver Corals; Garnet Earrings set in Gold; Tortoiseshell, Ivory, Box, and Horn Combs; fashionable Paper Snuff Boxes; Silver Thimbles; Childrens Clasps and Lockets; japanned Tea Boards and Waiters; rich white Satin; flowered and plain Lustrings; figured, black, blue, and white Satin for Cloaks; *Bath, Brussels*, and Minionet Lace and Edgings; Blond and black Lace for Cloaks; joining Ditto for Hoods and Handkerchiefs; Silk, Cotton, Thread, and Worsted Stockings; Silk, Kid, and Lamb Gloves and Mits for Ladies; a Variety of neat Gloves and *Didsbury*'s Shoes for Gentlemen; Calimanco, Silk, Satin, and embroidered Shoes for Ladies; Suits of Childbed Linen, Cradle Quilts and Robes; white Satin and Dimity Baskets; Lines and Pincushions; Chip Hats; white Bonnets; Satin Quilts; striped, plain, and flowered Muslin; Book Ditto for Aprons; Long Lawn; Cambrick; flowered, spotted, and plain Gauze; bordered Gauze Handkerchiefs and Aprons; Patent Net Hoods; Pieces of Ditto for Handkerchiefs and Ruffles; white Sarcenet; black, white, and blue Persian; Silver Blond for Stomachers and Sleeve Knots; *Italian* Ditto; Riband Ditto; Silver and *Italian* Breast Flowers; black, white, coloured, and *India* Fans; Dimity for Robes; Lace and Fringe for trimming Ditto; Fringe for Suits; Hair Rolls and Ear Curls; Silk Purses; Pocket Books; Smelling Bottles; and a Variety of Toys for Children; Silk Bags for Gentlemens Hair; fine Hyson Tea; Rappee and *Scotch* Snuff; with a great Number of other Articles. MARGARET HUNTER.

*** Cloaks, Bonnets, and Hats made in the newest Fashion; also Fans neatly mounted.

TWO Bales of *German* OSNABRUGS, containing about sixteen Hundred Ells, damaged on Board the *Thomas & Mary, James Dunsley* Commander, from *London*, will be sold, on *Friday* the 31st Instant (*July*) for ready Money, at the Subscriber's Store in *King* and *Queen*, for the Benefit of the Ensurers.

EDWARD HILL.

JUST arrived from *Africa*, the Snow *Nancy*, *James E. Colly* Commander, with about two Hundred and fifty fine healthy WINDWARD and GOLD COAST SLAVES, the Sale of which will begin at *Osborne's*, on *James* River, on *Wednesday* the 29th Instant (*July*) and continue until all are sold. Merchants Notes, payable at the General Courts in *Williamsburg*, will be received in Payment.

JOHN LAWRENCE, WILLIAM CALL, & Co.

To be SOLD *for ready Money, on* Thursday *the* 11th *of* August, *at* Prince George *Courthouse*,

ONE Third Part of the SNOW *Prince George*, now lying in *Appamattox* River, Burthen two Hundred Hogsheads of Tobacco, well found, and fitted either for the *West India* or *Eastern* Trade, five Years old, and a prime Sailer. JERMAN BAKER,
For the Administrator of *Samuel Gordon*.

To be SOLD *by the Subscriber, in* HALIFAX *Town*, NORTH CAROLINA,

TWO Lots in the said Town, adjoining the Courthouse and Jail, well situated for Tavern keeping. There is one House forty four Feet long and twenty Feet wide, with three large Lodging Rooms up Stairs, and four Closets to the House, a Piazza the Length of the House, ten Feet wide, with a large Bar Room at one End, and a Cellar underneath; also a Dwellinghouse adjoining, thirty two Feet long and sixteen Feet wide, with three Rooms below and two above, and a Piazza on the Front Side, with good Glass Windows above and below, well finished off; also a Billiard House twenty eight Feet long and eighteen Feet wide, with two good Lodging Rooms above, and a good Billiard Table; likewise a Kitchen sixteen Feet square, and a good Smokehouse, Stable, Horse Lots, *&c.* a large Garden in good Order, wherein are many Fruits and Herbs, all well paled in. Any Person inclinable to purchase may know the Terms by applying to the Subscriber, now on the Premises.

CHRISTOPHER DUDLEY.

N. B. All the Houses have good Brick Chimnies, and are well plaistered and whitewashed.

CAROLINE, *June* 30, 1772.

STOLEN from the Subscriber, in the Night of the 13th Instant, a sorrel HORSE about four Feet ten Inches high, with a small Blaze, light Mane and Tail, roached and bobbed, his near hind Foot above the Footlock much scarred, and branded on the near Buttock G B. Whoever brings the said Horse to me shall have FIVE POUNDS Reward, TEN POUNDS if he is found out of the Colony, and TWENTY POUNDS upon Conviction of the Thief.

JOHN ARMISTEAD.

To be SOLD *to the highest Bidder, on the Premises, on* Thursday *the* 6th *of* August, *pursuant to the last Will and Testament of Captain* JAMES JONES, *deceased, in* Sussex,

THE noted ORDINARY known by the Name of *Burges's*, situated about eight Miles from *Petersburg*, in the County of *Dinwiddie*, with between four and five Hundred Acres of tolerable good Grain Land; it lies well, and is well timbered with Pine and Oak; there is on it a good Dwellinghouse with Brick Chimnies, two Rooms above and two below, a Kitchen, and sundry other Improvements. The Place is now in Possession of a Tenant, and will be given up to the Purchaser on the 25th of *December* next. The Purchase Money is to be paid at three yearly Payments, to commence on the Day of Possession. Bond, with approved Security, to be given to ROBERT JONES, HAMBLETON JONES, } Executors.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *King* and *Queen*, about a Fortnight ago, a NEGRO WOMAN about twenty one Years of Age; she is tall and black, very lusty, and supposed to be pretty far gone with Child; her Dress cannot be well described, having several Changes of Apparel, and generally wears a blue Cloth Cloak. At the same Time went away an indented Servant Man named JAMES BRUCE, a Seaman, from *Scotland*, about five Feet seven or eight Inches high, twenty five Years of Age, and wears his own dark coloured Hair. Whoever brings the Negro Woman to me shall have FORTY SHILLINGS, and be allowed all Expenses; and, as it is supposed the Servant Man carried her away, whoever apprehends him with the Woman shall have TEN POUNDS on his Conviction. All Masters of Vessels are hereby forbid carrying either of them out of the Colony.

WILLIAM BLACK.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Dinwiddie*, a Negro Fellow named ANTHONY, about twenty five Years old, five Feet nine Inches high, with remarkable white Hairs on the fore Part of his Head, slim made, speaks good *English*, and had on a Sailor's Jacket. He formerly belonged to Captain *Lafory*. I expect he will go to Mr. *Driver's*, in *Nansemond*, where he has a Wife. Whoever conveys him to me shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, besides what the Law allows. WILLIAM PEGRAM.

TAKEN up, in *Chesterfield*, a small bay HORSE about eight or nine Years old, branded on the near Buttock C, as near as can be discerned, with a small Star in his Forehead, a roached Mane and Switch Tail, paces very well, and has on a very good Bell. Posted, and appraised to thirty Shillings.

JOSEPH HARRIS.

ALL Persons having Demands against the Estate of *Roger Dixon*, late of *Fredericksburg*, deceased, are desired to make them known, and they who are indebted to the said Estate are desired to make speedy Payment, either to Mr. *Oliver Towles*, Attorney at Law in *Spotsylvania* (whom I have empowered to act in these Affairs) or to JOHN DIXON, Administrator, with the Will annexed.

*** It hath been reported (and I fear the Report will prove detrimental to my Brother's distressed Family) that his Debts exceed the Value of his personal Estate, and that, dying intestate, his Lands would be liable for none but *English* Debts; but I hereby assure those whom it may concern, that there was a Will found, and proved, wherein he directs the Sale of all his Lands (except his Wife's Dower, the Houses and Lots where he dwelt, and his new Mill near *Fredericksburg*) the Produce of which will be applied, together with the Debts, as fast as they can be collected, to the Payment of his just Debts, which I must acknowledge amount to a large Sum of Money; but, after the nicest Inquiry we were able to make, his Credits alone, without his Estate, will exceed them by many Hundred Pounds. Delay in the Debtors, and too hasty Demands from the Creditors (which I earnestly desire both will avoid) are the only Things that are likely to hurt his Family, in whose Names I address the benevolent Creditor in the Words of the supplicant Debtor: *Have Patience with me and I will pay thee all.*

WANTED,

A MILLER that understands the Management of a Merchant Mill; also one or two Journeymen SHIP CARPENTERS that can carry up the Side of a Ship. Apply to me, in *Charles City*.

4 BENJAMIN HARRISON.

DINWIDDIE, *June* 13, 1772.

STOLEN from the Subscriber, on *Friday* Night the 12th Instant, a bay HORSE about four Feet seven Inches high, with a short Switch Tail and hanging Mane, paces, trots, and gallops very well, has remarkable good Spirit, was shod before, but his Brand, if any, is not remembered. I will give TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward on Delivery of the Horse to me, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief. (Tf) NEILL BUCHANAN, Senior.

FOR SALE,

TWO Thousand five Hundred and twenty Acres of LAND on *Nottoway* River, in the Counties of *Dinwiddie* and *Brunswick*, about thirty Miles from the Towns of *Petersburg* and *Blandford*, to which Place there is a fine Road from the said Land; there is a good Water Grist Mill on the said River, with two Pair of Stones and a Bolting Mill. The Land is a proper Soil for Corn, Wheat, and Tobacco, and has all necessary Houses for Cropping. The Terms may be known by applying to the Subscriber, in *Prince George* County. Long Credit will be allowed for one Half the Purchase Money. 8 THEODORICK BLAND.

To be SOLD *on the Premises, the last* Thursday *in* July, *pursuant to the Will of* John Price, *deceased*,

A TRACT of LAND containing about three Hundred Acres, with good Improvements, and lies convenient to Churches, Grist Mills, and *Layton's* Inspection of Tobacco on *Rappahannock* River. Possession to be given the 1st of *January* next, Credit for Half the Money to that Time, and for the Balance to the 1st of *April* next, on giving Bond and Security to ANNE PRICE, Executrix.
8 JOHN LEE, Executor.

For SALE,

THE following Tracts of LAND, in *Pittsylvania*, namely, four Hundred Acres on *Banister* River, seven Hundred and seventy on *Beaver* Creek, three Hundred and forty five on *Burch's* Creek, three Hundred and eighty on *Leatherwood*, and four Hundred on *Snow* Creek. These Lands were formerly the Property of Mr. *Samuel Gordon*, deceased. The Price, and Time of Payment, may be known by applying to me in *Petersburg*. Tf JERMAN BAKER.

THE Subscriber, at PITTENWEEM, just below the NEW DISTILLERY, near *NORFOLK*, has for Sale *WEST INDIA* RUM by the Hogshead, and a considerable Quantity of *HONDURAS* HIGHLAND MOHOGANY, equal in Quality to any *Jamaica*, from fourteen to forty Inches square, and from eight to seventeen Feet long, which he will dispose of on very reasonable Terms.——As he has now removed from *Norfolk* to the above Place, and intends declining Trade till his old Affairs are settled, he requests that all Persons indebted to him may make speed Payments, and those who have any Demands are desired to apply soon, that they may be discharged.

10 WILLIAM CHISHOLM.

To be SOLD *by the Subscribers, Mortgagees of Mr.* Peter Copland *of* Pittsylvania, *and the said Mortgager, in Parcels, for the Benefit of the Subscribers, and others*,

SIX Thousand Acres of valuable LAND, lying on *Smith's* River, *Beaver* and *Reedy* Creeks. It is laid off in small Lots; and we do guaranty and confirm the former Sales of the Lands made to sundry Persons by the said Mortgager, which were subject and liable to our Mortgagee, provided the Bonds for the same already taken, or to be taken, are made payable to us. And we do empower the said Mortgager to sell and dispose of, for our Accounts, the above mentioned six Thousand Acres of Land, provided the said Mortgager shall take the sundry Bonds for the same payable to us; and we do confirm and guaranty any Bargain or Sale of his Lands, formerly made by him, agreeable to this Advertisement, to be good and valid, as if the same had been made and done by ourselves. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed for one Half, and two Years for the other Half.

PETER COPLAND.
PETER RANDOLPH BLAND.
12 WILLIAM BLACK.
PATRICK COUTTS.

JAMES HALDANE, COPPER SMITH *and* BRASS FOUNDER *from* Philadelphia, *in* Church *Street, near the Church*, Norfolk,

MAKES and sells all Sorts of COPPER and BRASS WORK, namely, Stills, Brewing Coppers, Sugar Boilers, Fullers and Hatters Coppers, Capuchin Plate Warmers, Tea Kitchens, all Sorts of Ship, Fish, and Wash Kettles, Stew Pans, *Dutch* Ovens, Tea Kettles, Saucepans, Coffee and Chocolate Pots, Brass Mill Work, Furniture for Coach and Chair Harness, Fenders, Andirons, Candlesticks, Cocks, *&c.* at the most reasonable Rates. Also tins and mends all Sorts of old Copper and Brass Kitchen Work, and gives the best Prices for old Copper, Brass, Pewter, or Lead. Tf

*** All Orders from the Country will be punctually attended to.
N. B. *He deals for Cash, or Country Produce.*

☞ Those who have old Brass, Copper, Pewter, or Lead, to dispose of, are desired to apply to Mr. *Joseph Kidd*, in *Williamsburg*, or to Mr. *M'Cae*, in *Hampton*, who will receive it for me, and pay them the Value; they will likewise receive old Work to be repaired.

To be LET *on* LEASE,

A VERY large and commodious HOUSE in the Town of *Petersburg*, built for a Tavern, and well fitted for that Business; it is two Stories high, has a Number of very convenient Lodging Rooms, and large and small Rooms for the Entertainment of Guests. Any Person qualified for the Business of a Tavern Keeper, with a proper Capital, may find this as advantageous a Situation as any on the Continent. Apply to the Subscriber, who lives on the Premises.

Tf THOMAS EGLETON.

ALL Persons may be supplied with this PAPER at 12*s.* 6*d.* a Year, and have ADVERTISEMENTS (of a moderate Length) inserted in it for 3*s.* the first Week, and 2*s.* each Week after.——*** All Sorts of PRINTING WORK done at this Office in the neatest Manner, with Care and Expedition.